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DATE: January 9, 2013

TO: Washington State Board of Health Members

FROM: Dr. Diana Yu

SUBJECT: BRIEFING – AGENDA FOR CHANGE

Background and Summary:

In 2012, *The Agenda for Change Action Plan* was released. This important piece of work was created with input from four subgroups and under the direction of the Public Health Improvement Partnership (PHIP). Chair Austin sits on the PHIP Partnership committee, which is led by Secretary Selecky and Regina Delahunt, Whatcom County Health Department director. Member Grellner and I both served on the Communicable Disease and Other Health Threats subgroup. The action plan will be submitted to the legislature in January as the PHIP's biennial update.

The Agenda for Change Action Plan has a direct link to our 2009 *Five-Year Strategic Plan* under Goal One (Strengthen the public health system). It fits under Objective 1.2 (Maintain and strengthen the organizational capacity of the public health network), Strategy 1.2.1 (Maintain and increase the capacity of state and local public health), and activity 1.2.1.1 (Participate in PHIP activities, including Board of Directors, committees, and assessments).

I have invited Martin Mueller, director of the Office of Public Health Systems Development in the Department of Health, to present *The Agenda for Change Action Plan* today. He will explain the background and context for the action plan's creation, and next steps.

Recommended Board Action:

No action recommended.

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